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1. A recent directive was issued from the Paraguayan Communist Party (PCP) headquarters in Encarnacion in the name of the PCP Central Committee. It was directed principally to all PCP zone and group leaders.
2. The instruction warned Paraguayans that the country is in danger of being taken over by a military dictatorship. It stated that while the Paraguayan people are making demands for their liberation and for peace, the American Embassy in Asuncion and the pro-Fascist government of Peron are interfering in the internal politics of the country with the principal objective of developing a military-civilian-Fascist conspiracy headed by the Moriniguista-Natalicistas-Estigarribistas. The paper stated that this conspiracy has the support of the Commander-in-Chief General Alfredo Stroessner.
3. Returning again to the American Embassy in Asuncion, the paper stated that the Embassy is maneuvering with the Commander-in-Chief to bring about a reactionary solution to the political crisis and to assure the continuance in power of the criminal dictatorship which serves foreign powers. Alerting the Democratic Colorados, the paper warned that the conspiracy within the principal military commands of the armed forces has for its purpose the re-institution of a military-Fascist dictatorship in the country. Warning the Democratic Colorados not to be taken by surprise, the paper stated that General VELLER is an agent of North American imperialism, is one of the leaders of the conspiracy and has received special training by the war technicians.<sup>1</sup> Calling upon the Democratic Colorados to denounce the recent appointment of General Hernando MORINIGO to a strategic post in the General Staff, the paper stated that the latter is also an agent of North American imperialism and was placed in his present position to paralyze the peoples fight for liberation from the present dictatorship.<sup>2</sup> This conspiratorial group, according to the paper, is supported by the American dollar and its nucleus is General Stroessner. The group responds directly to Moriniguista power and is instigated, supported, and financed by the American dollar.

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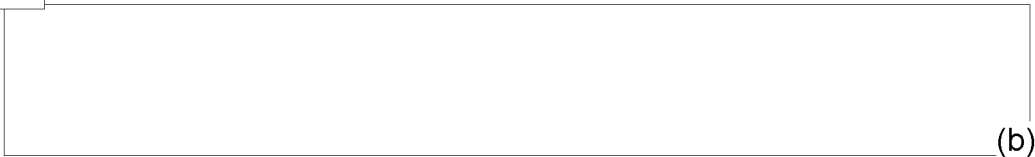
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- 4. In closing, the paper stated that the Moriniguista-military conspiracy is gaining in power from day to day because Federico CHAVEZ, instead of taking remedial action against the conspirators, is intensifying persecutions against the workers' movement, against the partisans of peace, and against the democrats.

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- 2. According to an article in El Pais, 21 October 1952, Brigadier General Herminio MORINIGO was appointed Acting Chief of the Paraguayan General Staff by decree dated 8 October 1952.

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